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December 19, 2013

To: Mr. Zach Hedgpeth

From: Bob Pernsteiner

Zach:

Per our discussion on Thursday December 5, 2013, in Lewiston concerning the various temporary devices installed at the M&D's for gathering process data, as required by EPA's request for information dated July 19, 2013. Please reconfirm our discussion and determination that Clearwater will not be gathering the following information previously outlined in EPA's letter and Clearwater's test plan submitted to EPA on October 17, 2013:

- · Temperature from the exhaust chamber
- Bauer valve parameters that include recycled steam temperature, pre-purge steam temperature, pocket purge temperature and pressure, and secondary exhaust steam temperature and pressure.

As you mentioned to us on December 5th, EPA expected Clearwater to utilize whatever process data and monitoring instrumentation was already in place, and had no intention of requiring Clearwater to install new devices. As seen in the field while you were here, the temporary devices were installed in order to give a general indication of process parameters such as temperature and pressure, and not actual internal parameters, as most of the devices are mounted on the outside of the process piping.

This letter is in response to your request to submit in writing the understanding reached in the field that Clearwater is no longer required to collect this data, and that this information is not required as part of the process data gathering portion of the information request or feasible tests.

Please reconfirm at your earliest convenience so we can discontinue as discussed.

Sincerely,

Bob Pernsteiner